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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: METHODS OF MANUFACTURING PHOTOMASK BLANK AND PHOTOMASK

End	closed are:						
$\sqrt{\boxtimes}$	A specification consisting of Thirteen (13) pages						
	() sheet(s) formal drawings						
	Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27						
	Applicant does not claim priority						
	Applicant claims the right of priority under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a) based on Application No(s). 2002-351465 and 2003-354602 filed in JAPAN on December 3, 2002 and October 15, 2003. Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto. Certified copy(ies) will follow.						
/⊠	Executed Declaration (Original Photocopy)						

$\checkmark \boxtimes$	An assignment of the invention
	Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
\checkmark \boxtimes	Preliminary Amendment
	Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
	Other:
	Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
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